IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.5940 OF 2005
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 702 OF 2003

Mohammed Jamanisya Khan ..Applicant

Vs.

State of Maharashtra ..Respondents

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Mr.Ayuaz Khan Advocate for Applicant
Mr.S.R.Shinde, A.P.P. for the State

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CORAM: SMT.V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.
DATE : SEPT. 26,2005

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1. Heard.

2. The applicant has preferred this application for expediting the hearing of the Cri.Appeal No.702 of 2002. It is seen that the applicant is convicted under Section 20(ii)(c) of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and sentenced to R.I. for ten years. It is stated that the applicant has been in custody for three years, hence, the appeal be expedited. However, on the

final hearing board, there are more than 25 appeals wherein the accused are in jail and sentence of imprisonment imposed on them is same or of shorter duration than that of the applicant. In this view of the matter, at this stage, I am not inclined to expedite the hearing of the appeal. Application is rejected. However, the liberty is granted to the applicant to move a fresh application after six months.

3. Application is disposed of.

[V.K.TAHILRAMANI,J.]